

06-15-04

2861

EXPRESS MAIL NO. EV49558339US

ifw

**TRANSMITTAL  
FORM**(To be used for all correspondence  
after initial filing)

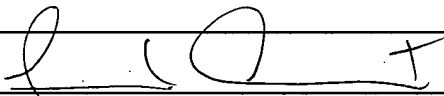
Application Number	10/073,509
Filing Date	February 11, 2002
First Named Inventor	Paul A. Maltseff
Art Unit	2861
Examiner Name	Huan H. Tran
Attorney Docket No.	480062.643D1

**ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)**

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form<br><input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Response<br><input type="checkbox"/> After Final<br><input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request<br><input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request<br><input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449<br><input type="checkbox"/> Cited References<br><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 C.F.R. 1.52 or 1.53<br><input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Request for Corrected Filing Receipt<br><input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers<br><input type="checkbox"/> Petition<br><input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application<br><input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation, Change of Correspondence Address<br><input type="checkbox"/> Declaration<br><input type="checkbox"/> Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund | <input type="checkbox"/> CD(s), Number of CD(s) _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Technology Center (TC)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences<br><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC ( <i>Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief</i> )<br><input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information<br><input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard<br><input type="checkbox"/> Additional Enclosure(s) ( <i>please identify below</i> ):<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____ |
|--|---|--|

Remarks

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**

Individual Name	Frank Abramonte	Customer Number	00500
Signature			
Date	June 14, 2004		

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below.

Typed or printed name		
Signature		Date:

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

489874\_1





EXPRESS MAIL NO. EV449558039US

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Paul A. Maltseff  
Application No. : 10/073,509  
Filed : February 11, 2002  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC TAX  
VERIFICATION

Examiner : Huan H. Tran  
Art Unit : 2861  
Docket No. : 480062.643D1  
Date : June 14, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 11, 2004, Applicant hereby elects without traverse Group II, including claims 4-27, for examination at this time. In view of the above election, Applicant hereby withdraws claims 1-3 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application.

Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
Seed Intellectual Property Law Group PLLC

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Frank Abramonte  
Registration No. 38,066

FXA:lrj

Enclosure:  
Postcard

701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 6300  
Seattle, Washington 98104-7092  
Phone: (206) 622-4900  
Fax: (206) 682-6031  
489835\_1